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BRUSHES

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AMENDMENT

Sir:

This Amendment is in response to the Office Action mailed 28 August 2006. Attached hereto and herein incorporated by reference is a Petition for a two-month extension making the due date for response, 29 January 2007, 28 January 2007 falling on a Sunday.

Kindly amend the application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 4 of this paper.